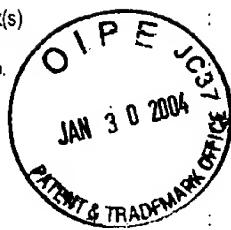


## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s)



Toshio INADATE

Serial No.

09/575,864

For

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM ON WHICH PROGRAM FOR EXECUTING THE INFORMATION PROCESSING  
IS RECORDED

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MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below. This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional fee
Total claims	10	Minus	20 =	0 ×	\$18(9)	= \$0
Independent claims	2	Minus	3 =	0 ×	\$86(43)	= \$0
Total additional fee for this amendment						= \$0

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290 (\$145) has been previously paid \_\_, or is paid herewith \_\_.

This response is being filed within the \_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor.

This is a petition to request a \_\_-month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ \_\_.00 is attached, which covers the cost of  additional claims and  -month petition for extension of time.

Charge \$\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 27, 2004.

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(Name of Applicant, Assignee or Registered Representative)

Signature

January 27, 2004

Date of Signature

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